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SUBJ: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: COLOMBO NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT

REF: BELGRADE 4706 (NOTAL)

1. SUDANESE AMBASSADOR HERE TOLD EMBASSY COUNSELOR AT DINNER ON 19 JULY THAT HE HAD ASKED YUGOSLAV FSFA FOR SUPPORT OF HIS GOVT'S POSITION IN ITS DISPUTE WITH LIBYA. HE SAID YUGOSLAVS WERE UNCOMFORTABLE WITH SITUATION SINCE IT WAS A DISPUTE BETWEEN "TWO ARAB, NON-ALIGNED NATIONS."

2. AMBASSADOR SAID YUGOSLAVS INCLINED TO BE SYMPATHETIC TOWARD SUDANESE BUT WOULD TAKE NO OFFICIAL POSITION. HE DID, HOWEVER, SAY THAT RELATIVELY STRAIGHTFORWARD PLAY OF THIS ISSUE IN YUGOSLAV PRESS BY IMPLICATION SUPPORTED SUDAN'S POSITION. HE OFFERED OPINION THAT WHAT THE YUGOSLAVS COULD NOT SAY PRIVATELY OFFICIALLY THEY WERE SAYING PUBLICLY UNOFFICIALLY IN THE PRESS.

3. HE WENT ON TO INDICATE THAT NON-ALIGNED ARE STILL  
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DOING THEIR BEST TO KEEP DIVISIVE ISSUES OUT OF COLOMBO;

AND THAT DESPITE SAHARA/DJIBOUTI/LIBYA/SUDAN/LEBANON  
AND OTHER TROUBLE SPOTS "EMPHASIS WOULD BE ON ECONOMIC  
ISSUES AT SUMMIT; AND ON THESE THE NON-ALIGNED WERE  
MORE UNIFIED."

4. COMMENT: DESPITE SUDANESE CLAIMS OF YUGOSLAV  
SUPPORT, YUGOSLAV JOURNALISTS AND OFFICIALS HAVE SAID  
TO US THEY BELIEVE SUDANESE EXAGGERATING LIBYAN INVOLVEMENT  
AND THAT THIS MATTER PRIMARILY ONE OF SUDAN'S DOMESTIC  
POLITICS. YUGOSLAVIA'S ECONOMIC STAKE IN LIBYA AND  
ITS NERVOUSNESS ABOUT EVER OFFENDING OR LETTING ONE  
OF NON-ALIGNED'S MORE RADICAL MEMBERS OUTFLANK IT,  
LEADS US TO BELIEVE THEY WILL NOT GIVE MUCH--IF ANY--  
SUPPORT TO SUDAN. ON COLOMBO, WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE  
MAJOR ISSUES WILL BE POLITICAL/ECONOMIC--INDEED IDEOLOGICAL.  
THIS HAS BEEN THRUST OF ALGIERS NACC MEETING AND  
YUGOSLAV STATEMENTS IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SUMMIT.  
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